

REPORT MILITARY RAPS OFFICERS

Findings Adopted as to
Conduct of Affairs of
the City Home.

FAULT MAINLY WITH SYSTEM

Superintendent Davis Referred to
as "Honest and Faithful," But
Is Crowded With Work.
Lack of Harmony
Among Some
Officers.

Acting under a resolution adopted on
November 5th to inquire into the affairs
of the City Home, the Subcommittee of
the Council Committee on Relief of the
Poor submitted its conclusions last night,
and the report with accompanying recom-
mendations was adopted by the full com-
mittee.

The subcommittee, which has held many
sessions and has gone into the work
thoroughly, is composed of Dr. Emmon G.
Williams (chairman), Messrs. John B.
Billey, E. W. Miner, Mark Gunst, John
L. Satterfield, J. A. Hobson and G. B.
Hobson.

The Messrs. Hobson were both absent
and did not sign the report, but are un-
derstood to concur in all its provisions.

There are thirty-six separate con-
clusions, and upon these are based four-
teen recommendations, looking to an im-
provement of conditions at the Home.

No serious fault is found with the ad-
ministration. On the other hand it ap-
pears that conditions are such under the
present system that the means for up-to-
date conduct of affairs are inadequate to
the needs and requirements of the in-
stitution.

The recommendations cover every point
in the report and seek to remedy these
inadequacies.

Reference to Officers.
After setting out, for example, that
much of the time of the superintendent
is consumed with his duties at the City
Hall in administering the public charities,
this language is used with reference to
that officer:

"We find the superintendent to be
honest, earnest, faithful and
thoroughly imbued with the spirit
that should animate one in charge
of an institution to relieve suffering
and distress. Under his admin-
istration of ten years, the institu-
tion has developed in usefulness
and in carrying out the purposes
for which it was and is intended;
but it appears from the evidence
that the superintendent does not
keep sufficiently informed of the
details of every department and is
not sufficiently close touch with the of-
ficers and employees.

"We find that there is a lack of
harmony and co-operation among
some of the officers and employees."

The findings set out further that the
proper care does not seem to have been
taken with reference to the assignment
of patients to the hospital wards and
the almshouse.

It is also pointed out that many of
the diseases treated are not definitely
ascertained, and that no permanent
record is kept of them. The same criti-
cism is made as to surgical operations.

Other Matters.
After describing the many duties of
the physician and his assistants, the re-
port says:

"The resident physicians have not
the time, as they state, to give to
the patients the attention and the
service that they would like to give
and that the patients require.

"In the ambulance service, as now
arranged, it is practically impossi-
ble to render to the emergency cases
that medical and surgical attention
which is necessary for prompt and ef-
ficient relief of such cases."

Discussing the subject of nurses, the
report proceeds:

"We are constrained to believe that
the nursing force is entirely inade-
quate in number and in efficiency. The
nursing conditions are deplorable, and
the report says these conditions are partly
due to 'extreme economy,' or to the fact
that there is only one cook."

Ambulance and Dead.

Here are the last two sections in the
findings:

"The ambulance is often sent out-
side of the city limits. As a rule, it is
to attend the injured at one of the
large manufacturing plants. Not only
are these companies and the injured
parties outside the city limits, but they
are well able to pay for the services
of any physician and a private am-
bulance."

"That the places provided for the
temporary reception of the white and
colored dead are repulsively inappro-
priate, and do not conform to dignity
and decency."

Recommendations.

Following are the recommendations of
the committee:

1. We recommend that the superin-
tendent see that prompt and efficient
cooperation be maintained between
every officer and employee in every
department of the institution.

2. That the heads of every depart-
ment make daily and systematic re-
ports to the superintendent of the
affairs of their respective departments.

3. That a subcommittee of the Com-
mittee on Relief of the Poor make a
monthly inspection of the City
Home. This subcommittee to be com-
posed of two members, who shall serve
for four months and whose terms of
service shall overlap by two months.

4. That in order to determine the
actual needs of the Home in the Drug
Department and the necessity for a
permanent pharmacist, that an experi-
enced pharmacist be employed for two
months, who shall at the end of that
time make a written report to this
committee, stating the work neces-
sary in the department, the time re-
quired, the cost of material, and such
other information as the committee
may desire.

5. That the deficiencies in the sys-
tem of records noted in the findings
be corrected by the superintendent.

6. That there be created a visiting

PRESIDENT NOT NOTICE INCIDENT

Action of Man no Cause
for Raising Unpleas-
ant Issue.

HALDANE SENDS PLEASANT NOTE

English Secretary of State for
War Takes Edge Off Rude-
ness of Swettenham-Bacon
Replies in Most Cordial
Manner—Davis to
Make Report.

SOME FREAKS OF JAMAICA'S GOVERNOR

Governor Swettenham, of Jamaica,
forty years in the British "civil ser-
vice," as Governor and Commander-in-
Chief of Ceylon, Singapore, Straits Set-
tlements, British Guiana and other
far-away dependencies; knighted for
faithful "Colonial service."

Disappointed Kingston citizens when
he was married, two years ago, by
leaving bandstand and crowded streets,
while he rode around outskirts to the
church, and allowed only six persons
to witness the wedding. Went to
a county fair and ate luncheon under
a tree from a basket, while the com-
mittee begged in vain for him to at-
tend the official reception and banquet.
Ignored his clubs, and at an official
function insisted on paying his score
after joining in a toast to the King.

An annual charity ball, two months
after his arrival on island, disappeared
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the elite who came to see him by
sending an orderly to represent him.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 21.—

Dispatches exchanged to-day between
the British Secretary of State for War
and the State Department, made public
here to-night, wholly ignoring the letters
which passed between Admiral Davis and
Governor Swettenham, at Kingston, have
had the effect of relieving the tension of
feeling which had existed since it became
known that Admiral Davis returned yester-
day to Guantamano, from Kingston.

With his ship, which had gone to aid
the stricken people of Jamaica. The mes-
sage from London is interpreted here as mean-
ing that the British government and
people disavow the action of the Gov-
ernor of Jamaica in requesting Admiral
Davis to embark before him. The text
of the dispatches referred to is as follows:

"Hon. Eltham Root, Secretary of State,
Washington:

"Have read in newspapers this morn-
ing what purports to be a letter from
Governor of Jamaica. Can only say
that, on materials before me, I entertain
as responsible for the troops in
island, feeling of deep gratitude to
American admiral for generous assist-
ance rendered at most critical time.

(Signed) "HALDANE,"
"Secretary of State for War, London."

President Gratified.

To this the following reply was sent:
"Halldane, Secretary of State for
War, London:

"The President greatly appreciates
your cordial telegram and is glad
if the proximity of this country
has made it possible to be of
assistance to the stricken people of Jamaica in this
crisis. If because of this proximity,
and pending the arrival of your
own warships and troops we can
render further aid, whatever the
President cordially hopes you will
call on him without hesitation.

We know how cheerfully you would
render such aid to us were the
circumstances reversed.

(Signed) "BAEON,"
"Assistant Secretary of State."

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at Guantamano from Kingston yesterday
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and the cruiser Yankton, is preparing a
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Extreme Resentment.

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MRS. BAKER MAY NOT PROSECUTE

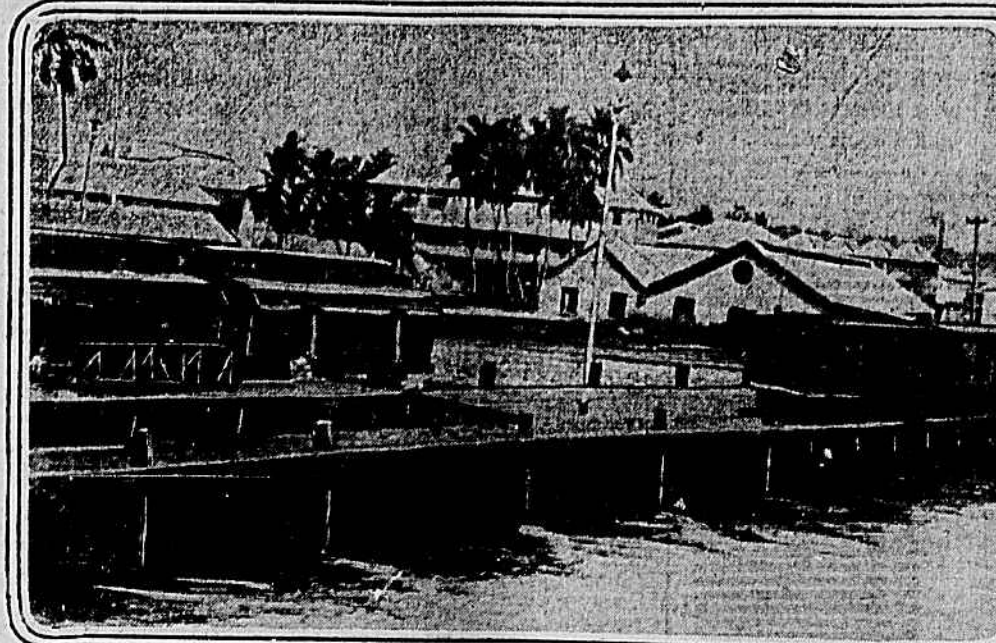
Did Not Appear Before Grand
Jury Yesterday Against
Powell Brookes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., January 21.—

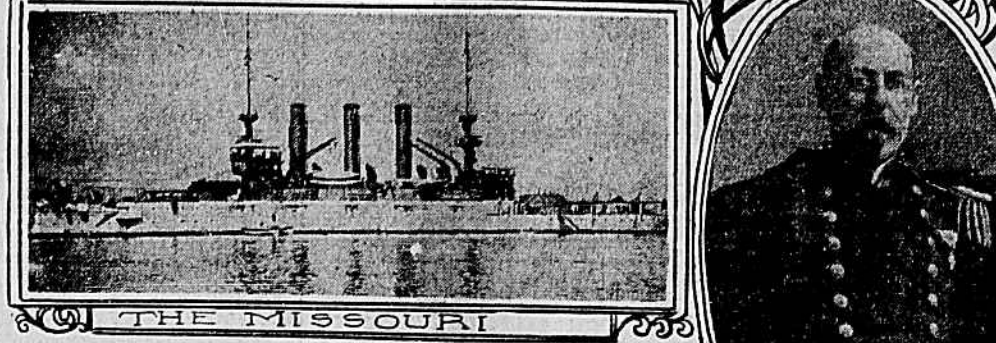
Another chapter was added to the his-
tory of the case growing out of the
alleged attempt of A. Powell Brookes,
of Alexandria, to kill Mrs. Alexander
M. Baker, a leader in Winchester's so-
cial circles, when young Brooks failed
to put in appearance before the
grand jury, which convened in this
city to-day, but the most startling de-
velopment was the failure of Mrs.
Alexander M. Baker, the complainant
against young Brooks, to appear. This
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KINGSTON WHARF, ADMIRAL DAVIS AND MISSOURI



KINGSTON'S WATER FRONT, RUINED BY EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE



THE MISSOURI

MATTOX ELOPES; WEDS IN PELHAM

Man in Charge of Block Station
Where President Spencer Was
Killed Takes Bride.

SAYS HE WILL APPLY AGAIN

Reported to Have Determined to
Go Back to Rail-
roading.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., January 21.—G. D.
Mattox, the young man who was in
charge of the block station on the
Southern Railway at Rangoon on the
memorable Thanksgiving when the rail-
way wreck occurred at Lawyers, which
resulted in the killing of President
Samuel Spencer, and others, has married.

He eloped yesterday morning with Miss
Traylor, daughter of Mr. John Traylor,
a prominent farmer of Bedford county,
near Lynchburg, not far distant from
the scene of the frightful accident. "The
couple took a train for Pelham, where
they were united at noon, Justice of
the Peace Travis officiating.

Mattox was the man who gave a clear
signal for the train which crashed into
President Spencer's private car. The
young man has quit the service of the
Southern, and is now engaged with a
construction force on the Tidewater
Railway near Hurts. He declares that
he will apply for a position again as
telegrapher as soon as the excitement is
down. He is twenty-four years of age,
and his bride is a pretty girl of twenty-
one. She is a niece of A. W. Traylor,
president of the Danville Commercial
Association.

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COAST LINE TRAIN WRECKED, 1 KILLED

Runs Into Open Switch—Six
Pullman Cars Burned—But
One Passenger Hurt.

CHARLESTON, S. C., January 21.—

News was received here to-night of the
wreck of north-bound special New York
and Florida Vestibule, No. 88, Atlantic
Coast Line, at 8:20 o'clock, at Yemas-
see, a junction point fifty-nine miles
from Charleston. The train, which was
running at a fair speed, went into
an open switch and crashed into the
engine of a freight train on the siding.
Engineer Johnson, of Florence, on train
88, was killed, and Engineer Horton
and three firemen of the freight
train were injured. The passenger train
composed of a baggage car and seven
Pullmans, caught fire, and all except
one car were burned. It was said that
there were only a few passengers on
board, and only one was hurt.

**CHARLES ZIMMER RETURNS;
HAD SPENT ALL MONEY**

NEW YORK, January 21.—Charles
Zimmer, an employee of the Wells-Fargo
Company, who disappeared a few weeks
ago, walked into the District Attorney's
office to-day and surrendered. It is al-
leged that a shortage of \$1,400 in his
books was discovered after he disap-
peared.

He told Acting District Attorney Smyth
to-day that he had been in Newport
News, where his friends advised him to
come back and face the trouble. "I
have not a cent left," said he, "all the
money went in Wall Street." He was
sent to the Tombs prison in default of
bail.

W. A. CHESTERMAN TO GET CONTRACT

Common Council Disagrees With
Board in Auditorium
Matter.

REJECT COMMITTEE REPORT

Ordinance Passed Fixing the Tax
Rate in the Annexed
Territory.

After a session of over an hour last
night the Common Council, at a special
meeting, declined to concur in the action
of the Board, approving the resolution
of the Grounds and Buildings Committee,
awarding the contract to A. C. Bedford
to convert the Third Market Hall into an
auditorium without seats.

A substitute was offered by Mr. Pollock
and adopted, making the award to Mr.
Wirt A. Chesterman, on the ground that
he was the lowest bidder. The substitute
requires the committee to live within
the appropriation of \$15,000, including
the putting in of seats.

The whole matter turned on the ques-
tion of making the Third Market a per-
manent auditorium, the majority being
opposed to this view.

The substitute resolution adopted last
night will have to go to the Board for
concurrence.

It took but a few moments to get
through the ordinance applying the regu-
lar city tax rate of \$1.40 on the \$100 to
the territory recently brought in under
the new annexation scheme, there having
been no debate upon it.

The only other business was the intro-
duction by Mr. Lynch of a report of the
Ordinance Committee, appropriating \$10,000
for a Richmond city building at the
Jamestown Exposition. This was referred
under the rules to the Committee on
Finance, and the body adjourned.

Session in Detail.

President Peters called the body to
order at 8:10 o'clock, and more than a
quorum of members responded.

The first matter called up was the
ordinance fixing the tax rate in the
annexed territory at \$1.40, so as to
make it conform to the rate prevailing
in the rest of the city.

The matter was purely formal, and
was agreed to on roll-call without ob-
jection or debate.

The contract made by the Commit-
tee on Grounds and Buildings with
C. Bedford for converting the Third
Market into an auditorium, without
seats, at \$13,481, caused discussion.

Some of the members thought seats
should have been provided for in this
sum, General Phillips defending the ac-
tion of the committee.

"We had no time to lose," said Gen-
eral Phillips.

"And we have no money to lose.
Others rejoined President Peters from
the chair.

Members of the committee thought

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BRIDEGROOM IN MUCH TROUBLE

Weds in Washington and Is Ar-
rested on Charge of Stealing
Now in Jail.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., January 21.—

C. J. Martens, of this city, who claims
to have been married in Washington
Saturday to Miss Mattie Lee Abel, of
Quantico, arrived here Saturday night
with his bride. This morning he was
arrested on a charge of larceny of cloth-
ing, valued at \$45, from the Virginia
Clothing House, where until recently he
was employed. Mayor Wallace fined
him \$25 and costs. Lacking funds, Mar-
tens went to jail for ninety days.

THAW'S TRIAL PUT OFF FOR TWO DAYS

Thought Both Sides Will Be
Ready for Trial by Wednes-
day Morning.

PRISONER VERY CHEERFUL

Walks With Springy Step and
Appears Happy and
Confident.

NEW YORK, January 21.—The trial of
Harry K. Thaw, charged with the murder
of Stanford White, was to-day post-
poned until Wednesday morning at 10:30
o'clock.

Thaw was not brought into the court-
room, but was held in the prisoner's
room in the criminal courts building dur-
ing the time the roll of the 300 talesmen
summoned in the special jury panel was
being called. He was up bright and early,
anxious for his trip across the bridge
from the Tombs prison to the court-
room. His wife arrived at the prison too
late to see him. She did not go to the
courthouse. The prisoner appeared hap-
py and confident, and walked with a
springy step. He was accompanied by
his counsel.

District Attorney Jerome appeared be-
fore Justice Fitzgerald, and explained
that counsel in the pending case, that
of Matthew Hilgert, the maker of "magic
hosiery," believed they could conclude the
trial by Wednesday. He therefore asked
that the special panel called for the Thaw
case be excused until Wednesday morn-
ing. The court ordered that this be
done.

All persons other than the two hun-
dred men from among whom the jury
of twelve is to be selected were ex-
cluded from the courtroom. Even the
newspaper men were held outside the
courtroom during the brief proceed-
ings. Thaw's sisters, the Countess of
Yarmouth and Mrs. George L. Car-
negie, visited him in the Tombs this
afternoon.

Clifford W. Harbridge, Thaw's chief
counsel, is quoted as having said to-
day that he will place experts on the
witness stand during the coming trial
to testify as to Thaw's sanity.

Howard Nesbit, brother of Harry
Thaw's wife, came here from Pittsburg
to-day, and went to the District At-
torney's office, where he was questioned
by Assistant District Attorney Gar-
vin. It was stated unofficially that
young Nesbit might be called as a
witness for the prosecution, and his
testimony would be in defense of Stan-
ford White's reputation.

REPORT SILLY AND UNTRUE.

MR. WILLIAMS DECLARES

ATLANTA, GA., January 21.—John Skel-
ton Williams, when asked about a press
dispatch from Atlanta stating that the
Georgia and Florida Railroad was being
promoted to be sold out, rather than
developed and operated, replied: "The
report is, of course, silly and untrue. We
have taken hold of the Georgia and Flori-
da Railroad enterprise for the purpose
of developing and operating it. We have
not gone into this business with the ob-
ject of unloading an immature under-
taking on possible competitors, as has been
suggested by some unfriendly and prob-
ably rival interests."

DAVIS PAPERS NOW IN MUSEUM

Notable Gathering Yes-
terday Incident to
Presentation.

SEVERAL FINE ADDRESSES MADE

List Includes Original Draft of
Bail Bond That Set Confederate
President Free—Miss Lee
Present and Charles
Francis Adams
Sends Regrets.

Valuable papers bearing upon the life
of Jefferson Davis, President of the Con-
federate States, were presented to the
Richmond Museum yesterday afternoon
by Miss Mary Ritter Shea, of New York
City. The occasion developing into a
most notable Confederate gathering
drawn together in the wake of the great
Lee centennial, and animated to a marked
degree by the spirit of that memorable
occasion.

Miss Shea, who is spending the winter
at the Chamberlin Hotel, Old Point,
reached Richmond yesterday morning and
went at once to the Jefferson Hotel. She
is, as every Richmonder knows, the
daughter of George Shea, of Ireland, af-
terwards chief justice of New York, and,
with Charles O'Connor, defender of Jef-
ferson Davis at the time of his trial.

His daughter inherited from her father
valuable papers and letters relating to
the Davis trial. These, together with a
family, used by Mr. Davis, were enclosed
in the folds of a worn Confederate flag,
the Bible bearing the inscription in Mr.
Davis's handwriting: "To George Shea,
from his friend and fellow-citizen, Jef-
fers Davis."

Original Bail Bond.

The papers were letters giving accounts
of Mr. Shea's efforts in behalf of Mr.
Davis of his visits to Mr. Davis at
Fortress Monroe and of the latter's final
release from imprisonment. The original
draft of the bail bond which set
Mr. Davis free was also included in
the collection.

A large number of the members of the
Confederate Memorial Literary Society
and the Hollywood Memorial Association
gathered to welcome Miss Shea, many
gentlemen adding to the numbers of those
present. Judge George J. Chesnut, Mr.
W. B. Freeman, General William Ruffin
Cox and Dr. C. W. F. Brock being noted
among these.

Miss Shea, who possesses a frank, cor-
dial charm of manner, united to a gra-
cious and dignified personality, was in-
stantly and thoroughly at home and the
throne of Virginia women assembled in
her honor, at the head of whom stood
Miss Mary Custis Lee, daughter of Gen-
eral Robert E. Lee, and regent of the
Virginia unit at the Confederate Mus-
eum, vice-regent of the Virginia room.

Dr. Jeffers speaks.

Lieutenant Governor J. Taylor Ellison,
as presiding officer of the meeting, in-
troduced in a very graceful and appropri-
ate manner the Rev. Wm. M. Jeffers, D.
D., who proceeded to fill every Con-
federate heart with fire by the exception-
ally fine manner in which he discharged
the honorable duty laid upon him by
Miss Shea.

He began his presentation remarks by
saying that his presence in the Museum,
the former home of Jefferson Davis, re-
minded him of a recent interview he had
in London with the former Queen Liliuoka-
huli. He greeted her as Queen of the
Hawaii Islands.

"Ah, no," said Liliuokahuli, "I am no
longer Queen."

"Your Majesty," replied the Arch-
deacon, "a thing is never settled until
it is settled right. Force of arms has
placed you temporarily in your present
position, but there is a tribunal at which
wrong is righted, and until your time
of righting comes you are none the less a
queen."

Following out the line of his reasoning,
the archdeacon took up the subject of
Mr. Davis's imprisonment and his suf-
ferings. He declared that Mr. Shea said
to his daughter, then a child: "Mary,
this is all wrong and I must try and
right it." He told how Mr. Shea and
his daughter visited Mr. Davis in prison,
how they very nearly lost their lives
on a mistake of the sentry on the occasion
of one visit; how, finally, Mr. Shea's
eloquent and convincing arguments pre-
vailed with Mr. Greeley and other in-
fluential men; how the bail bond was
signed; and how Mr. Davis freed.

The archdeacon, in a vivid outburst of
eloquence, paid a splendid tribute to
Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee. He
said:

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CAPT. WILSON LOST DURING BLOW AT SEA

Commander of Essex Schooner
Three Brothers, Knocked
Overboard.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BALTIMORE, MD., January 21.—The
tug Sidney Towler, of the port tow-boat
company, was yesterday lost in the Chesapeake
Bay, Va., which was caught in the Sunday
morning near Seven Foot Knoll, at the
mouth of the Patuxent, and lost its
master, Captain J. W. Wilson, who was
knocked overboard and drowned.

The schooner's sails were blown to rib-
bons. Captain Wilson was thirty-two
years old, and lived at Paul's Cross
Roads. His body was not recovered.

JURY IS DISCHARGED

ON THE SHEA CASE

CHICAGO, January 21.—The jury in the
conspiracy trial of Cornelius P. Shea,
president of the International Brotherhood
of Teamsters, reported a disagreement
this afternoon. The jury was discharged.

The jurors stood seven for acquittal
and five for conviction. Arrangements
will be made at once for a second trial.

**SENATE AROUSED
BY TILLMAN JABS**

Carmack Denounces the
South Carolinian; Secret
Session Follows.